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SUBJECT: WORKING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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1. EMBOFF CONTACTED GOCR COUNCIL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (CONICYT) WITH REGARD TO SUB-GROUP MEETINGS REFERRED TO IN REFTEL. CONICYT MANAGER, FEDERICO VARGAS, WHO WAS COSTA RICA'S SOLE REPRESENTATIVE AT BRASILIA MEETING, WAS UNAWARE OF FIXED AND TENTATIVE DATES SET FOR THE VARIOUS SUB-GROUP MEETINGS. A FURTHER CHECK WITH THE OFFICIAL AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS (MFR) WHO NORMALLY HANDLES INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS INDICATED THAT HE WAS ALSO UNAWARE OF THE AUGUST 20 MEETING. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE GOCR HAS NOT YET BEEN SENT AN INVITATION TO ATTEND THE AUGUST 20 MEETING, OR THAT THE INVITATION HAS NOT YET GONE THROUGH THE NORMAL CHANNELS OF PROCESSING AT THE MINISTRY. THE MFR HAS AGREED TO CHECK ON THE MEETING AND CALL US BACK.

2. IF COSTA RICA ATTENDS, IT IS PROBABLE THAT EITHER
A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THEIR EMBASSY IN BRAZIL OR ONE
LOCAL CONICYT OFFICIAL WILL BE GOING. IN THE LATTER
CASE THE MOST LIKELY CANDIDATE IS EITHER FEDERICO VARGAS
OR MARIANO RAMIREZ WHO WILL BE TAKING OVER AT CONICYT FOR
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VARGAS WHO IS SCHEDULED TO MOVE INTO ANOTHER POSITION IN

THE GOVERNMENT.

3. RE PARA 2 REFTEL, EMBASSY ACTION OFFICER ON THESE MATTERS IS MS. MICHELLE BOVA, ECONOMIC OFFICER. VARGAS OR NOWNPAMIREZ SHOULD BE LISTED AS PRIMARY GOCR POINT OF RESPONSIBILITY. LANE

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